

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS, INFRASTRUCTURE AND SUSTAINABILITY

Voting Members:

Carol Fukunaga, Chair; Ikaika Anderson, Vice-Chair;
Brandon J.C. Elefante, Joey Manahan, Trevor Ozawa

Committee Meeting Held
April 1, 2015

Honorable Ernest Y. Martin
Chair, City Council
City and County of Honolulu

Mr. Chair:

Your Committee on Public Works, Infrastructure and Sustainability, which considered Resolution 15-52 entitled:

"RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF DANA KAPUA'ALA SPROAT TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU,"

reports as follows:

The purpose of the Resolution is to confirm the appointment of Ms. Dana Kapua'ala Sproat to serve on the Board of Water Supply. Ms. Sproat will succeed Denise Mahealani Cypher and will serve a term to expire June 30, 2019. The Mayor has appointed Ms. Sproat through Mayor's Message 20.

The Deputy Manager and Chief Engineer of the Board of Water Supply testified in support of the Resolution, noting Ms. Sproat's experience as an Associate Professor and Environmental Law Clinic Director at the University of Hawaii's William S. Richardson School of Law, and her work as an attorney for Earthjustice, litigating cases under the Endangered Species Act, the Clean Water Act, and State Water Code.

Written testimony in support was also provided by the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, The Trust for Public Land, the Waikiki Hawaiian Civic Club, and the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers. The Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs noted Ms. Sproat's special interest in empowering and supporting

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her Native Hawaiian culture and people, and her groundbreaking litigation working to return diverted stream flows to public trust and other community uses, including traditional Hawaiian agriculture and aquaculture. The Office of Hawaiian Affairs noted Ms. Sproat's expertise in water law and water management. The Trust for Public Land cited Ms. Sproat's legal expertise in Hawaii water laws, including her recent publication of a legal primer for Water Use and Management in Hawaii. The Waikiki Hawaiian Civic Club noted Ms. Sproat's expertise in providing training to their Ecosystems/Environment Committee on water resources in Hawaii.

Ms. Sproat testified briefly on her personal and professional background, and her desire and willingness to serve on the Board of Water Supply.

Your Committee is satisfied that Ms. Sproat's expertise and experience will help her in amply fulfilling the range of responsibilities of her appointment.

Your Committee on Public Works, Infrastructure and Sustainability is in accord with the intent and purpose of Resolution 15-52 and recommends its adoption. (Ayes: Fukunaga, Anderson, Elefante, Manahan, Ozawa – 5; Noes: None.)

Respectfully submitted,



Committee Chair

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